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TAGS: PINT, ES

SUBJ: PRESIDENTIAL PERSONAL SECRETARY DIES

REF: SAN SALVADOR 1326

1. PINEDA DIED ON APRIL 4 FROM GUNSHOT WOUNDS SUSTAINED IN APRIL 2 ATTACK. THROUGH INFORMATION RELEASED TO THE PRESS, THE GOES CONTINUES TO ATTEMPT TO PORTRAY THE ASSAULT AS THE WORK OF LEFT-WING URBAN GUERRILLAS. PINENT'S MISTRESS, IN WHOSE APARTMENT THE SHOOTING TOOK PLACE, HAS TESTIFIED THAT PINEDA SAID "TELL ARTURO ARMANDO (PRESIDENT MOLINA) THAT FOUR GUERRILLAS ATTACKED ME."

MINISTER OF INTERIOR COL. MARTINEZ VARELA TOLD THE PRESS THAT HE PERSONALLY BELIEVED THAT THE COUNTRY WAS FACED WITH URBAN GUERRILLA MOVEMENT. NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS GO EVEN FURTHER, SPECULATING THAT PINEDA WAS KILLED BY THE SAME GROUP THAT RAIDED THE CENTRAL ELECTORAL COUNCIL ON MARCH 6 AND ROBBED A BANK IN CIUDAD DELGADO, A SAN SALVADOR SUBURB, ON MARCH 28. IT IS STILL GENERALLY BELIEVED, HOWEVER, THAT THE SHOOTING WAS THE PRODUCT OF A PERSONAL VENDETTA.

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